5

10

- 42 -

ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a gene that codes for a protein having an amino acid sequence described in any of SEQ ID NOs: 7 through 10 or 12 and having activity that transfers a glycoside to the 5 position of a flavonoid, a gene that codes for a protein having a modified amino acid sequence relative to the above amino acid sequence and having activity that transfers a glycoside to the 5 position of a flavonoid, and a process for producing the above protein using said gene. This gene can be used to artificially alter the color of plants.